

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

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TELEPHONE SERVICES IN ORISSA
ANANTA NAYAK

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the telephone services has been disrupted in the flood affected areas of Orissa;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken to restore the telephone services in those areas?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The services of 47 small exchanges and 3 medium exchanges were disrupted due to flood waters, affecting about 5000 lines.

(c) Restoration of telephone exchanges and routes were done on war footing basis. All the exchanges were restored within 7 days. Now all the exchanges are working satisfactorily.